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SUBJECT: PIO/T 493-180.4-3-50010 - AGRICULTURAL
ECONOMICS(PROJECT DIVISION)

1. AID/W JUST RECEIVED UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA PROPOSAL IN
RESPONSE TO OUR REQUEST FOR SERVICES OF SENIOR LEVEL
AGRICULTURAL ECONOMIST/PLANNING SPECIALIST ADVISOR (JOHN
FISCHER) FOR 18-MONTH PERIOD.

2. ARIZONA PREPARED NOMINATE DR. JOHN L. FISCHER PENDING
USUAL MEDICAL CLEARANCES FOR HIMSELF AND DEPENDENTS. HE
WILL BE ABLE DEPART FOR BANGKOK BETWEEN 30 AND 45 DAYS
AFTER CONTRACT IS SIGNED.

3. LETTER FORWARDING PROPOSAL STATES:
"THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA, IS NOT
IN GENERAL INTERESTED IN MERELY SERVING AS A PERSONNEL
BROKER. IF WE CONTRACT TO PROVIDE SENIOR LEVEL ADVISOR,
WE WANT TO HAVE OPPORTUNITY FOR CONTINUED INVOLVEMENT AS
MUTUALLY DESIRABLE IN PROVIDING ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL
ASSISTANCE TO ROYAL THAI GOVERNMENT; THIS TO BE
ACCOMPLISHED IN CONSORT WITH USAID AND OTHER PARTIES TO
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FUTURE AGREEMENTS. FURTHERMORE, WE FEEL VERY STRONGLY THAT IT IS IMPORTANT FOR ADVISORS TO BE PROPERLY SUPPORTED AND BACKSTOPPED. THEREFORE, WE ARE INCLUDING PROVISION FOR TWO MAN-MONTHS OF SHORT-TERM STAFF IN CONTRACT BUDGET. IN ADDITION, DIRECT SUPPORT OF A CAMPUS COORDINATOR AND SECRETARY (BOTH PART-TIME) IS INDICATED."

THE BALANCE OF THEIR PROPOSAL RELATED DIRECTLY TO SCOPE OF WORK IN SUBJECT PIO/T.

4. ARIZONA BUDGET:

I. SALARIES DOLS DOLS

- A. U.S. PERSONNEL OVERSEAS	
- 1. PROFESSIONAL (18 MM)	56,090
- 2. SHORT-TERM STAFF (2 MM)	4,000
- B. LOCAL-HIRE PERSONNEL (36 MAN-DAS)	360
- C. CAMPUS	7,400
TOTAL SALARIES	67,850

II. ALLOWANCES (PD 10 PERCENT AND DIRECT DOLLAR DIFFERENTIAL BETWEEN BAHT ALLOWANCES AND STANDARD USG ALLOWANCES) 15,110

III. TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION 21,800

IV. OTHER DIRECT COSTS (PAYROLL TAX, MEDICALS, SUPPLIES, BOOKS) 11,520

V. INDIRECT COSTS (OVERHEAD - OVERSEAS AND CAMPUS 21,430

GRAND TOTAL: 137,710

5. MISSION GUIDANCE IS REQUESTED. NOTE THAT ARIZONA BUDGET CALLS FOR DOLS 58,223 MORE THAN IS PROVIDED IN SUBJECT PIO/T. IF MISSION CONCURS ARIZONA PROPOSAL, REQUEST APPROPRIATION, ALLOTMENT AND PIO/T NUMBERS AND AUTHORIZATION AMEND SUBJECT PIO/T OR TO ISSUE NEW PIO/T ACCORDINGLY. IF ARIZONA PROPOSAL NOT ACCEPTABLE, ADVISE UNCLASSIFIED

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